

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5020
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NON RECEIPT OF DUTY ON EXCISEABLE GOODS
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether crores of rupees have remained unrecovered because of short levy or non-levy and non-receipt of duty on exciseable goods due to fraud, collusion etc. or otherwise as has been pointed out by the C&AG in its Report No.11 of 2002 pages 56 onwards;
- (b) if so, how much money in total is involved and since when including interest element thereon;
- (c) the measures taken to recover the dues and to ensure the non-recurrence of such cases in future;
- (d) whether has the accountability and responsibility of the officials responsible for the State of affairs been fixed and any action taken against them, Commissionerate-wise; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN)

(a) to (e) Sir, the Comptroller & Auditor General of India (C&AG) has pointed out certain cases of non-recovery of duties of Central Excise because of short-levy or non-levy due to fraud, collusion, etc., in Chapter 10 of Report No.11 of 2002. The observations made by the C&AG in the Report, laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha on 15th March, 2002, have been forwarded to the concerned Central Excise Commissionerates for initiating necessary remedial measures, including fixation of responsibility on the erring officers, and recovery of duty short-levied / not-levied, under the Central Excise Act, 1944, and the rules made thereunder, wherever warranted. Action Taken Notes (ATNs) on the Report will be sent to the C&AG of India.